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Subject: RE: Meeting Request – Bradford Island Superfund Site
Date: Friday, October 21, 2022 8:02:33 AM

Good morning Greg. I'm still the poc at USACE HQ (vice Lara Beasley), though much of the FFA work has significant Counsel engagement. Let me touch base with NWD and then get back to you. Tom

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Hi Tom! I hope you're doing well. Let me know when we can have a sync meeting or Teams call. I'm open to a 1-on-1, or inviting Beth and Calvin's participation.

Things have bogged down with the Federal Facility Agreement negotiations and site collaboration. I'm not sure whether the meeting with our Regional Administrator, NWD and NWP leadership occurred yet but I'm hearing a challenging component is disagreement among our respective legal counsel and the pace of the CX's work. Differing positions on the role of tribes is also at play.

Perhaps there are ways we at the respective HQ program offices can provide positive support to get things moving. I don't want to undercut what they're able to sort out in the PNW but unless there's been a very recent breakthrough, I think the situation could benefit from our assistance. Note that I've let my Region know that you are the correct USACE program leader on this vs. Ms. Beasley, unless something has changed.

Thanks,

Greg

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Dear Colonel Helton and Ms. Coffey,

I am writing to suggest we meet to discuss the Bradford Island Superfund site and our efforts to enter into a Federal Facilities Agreement. I know that EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers have a long history of partnership protecting human health and the environment in Region 10. After I was appointed as EPA R10 Administrator in May, I learned from my staff about our formal joint government-to-government consultation with the Yakama Nation, that negotiations were starting on the Federal Facilities Agreement, and our technical staff were ready to begin working on the Bradford Island Superfund site.

I recently asked my team about our progress on the FFA and I found that negotiations are moving slowly, our technical staff have not met to plan out the work ahead, and that there are serious concerns related to providing opportunities for engagement and transparency to tribal governments. I understand that we made some firm commitments to the Yakama Nation regarding completing negotiations of the Federal Facilities Agreement within one year and committing to clear and frequent communication and coordination related to the cleanup work at the site.

As you know, this site is important to many individuals, organizations, and tribes in Oregon and Washington and so attention at the highest levels is needed to ensure that work and milestones are delivered on-time and the cleanup effort moves forward. I would like to make sure that we can fulfill our commitments and so I propose that we meet to discuss the status of our efforts and assess the actions needed to keep moving forward in order to meet important milestones.

Calvin Terada, Director, EPA R10 Superfund and Emergency Management Division, is available to work with you to plan and finalize the logistics for our meeting.

Thank you for your leadership to make sure that we have a successful cleanup effort.

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